



## Dawn L. Ayer

April 6, 1929 - May 23, 2019

Rye - Dawn Lucille Farrar Ayer, 90, of Rye, New Hampshire, formerly of Hampton, departed this world peacefully on Thursday, May 23, 2019 at Webster at Rye.

She was born April 6, 1929 in Haverhill, MA, the daughter of the late Edward and Hazel (Neily) Farrar.

Dawn graduated from Groveland High School, Groveland, MA, as the Salutatorian of her Class of 1947, and attended Bryant & Stratton business school in Boston.

She moved to Hampton from Victor, New York in 1994 after spending almost forty years in numerous locations in New York State, turning houses into homes for her constantly growing family wherever she went. She had been a resident of Webster at Rye since 2017. Dawn enjoyed crossword puzzles, walking, cooking, and running the merry race of life with her family and friends. She was an enthusiastic member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Hampton.

Dawn was predeceased by Charles W. Ayer, Sr., her beloved husband of 52 years until his passing in 2003. She was also predeceased by her cherished youngest son, Robert W. Ayer in 2009, and her dear older brother, Welton

Farrar of Dallas, PA, in 2018. Dawn and Welton had a wonderful time at Welton's 95th birthday party, entertaining the guests with their countless stories and their rousing version of "Little Bobby Shaftoe." She will also be reunited in the next world with her treasured cat, Ralph, who devoted his long life to her care.

Family members include her five surviving children, Rebecca Lennahan and her husband Patrick of Portsmouth, RI; Charles W. Ayer, Jr. and his wife Claudia of Vernon, CT; John Ayer and his wife Jan of Marlborough, CT; Susan Ayer of Seabrook, NH; James Ayer and his wife Diana of Washington Township, MI, as well as 16 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her dear friend and devoted companion, Patrick Fitzgerald of Rye, NH.

The family would like to express its profound thanks to the caring staff of Webster at Rye, too numerous to name but too wonderful to forget, who made Mom's last years not just bearable, but joyful and meaningful as well. There is simply no way to convey our gratitude adequately.

A memorial service honoring Dawn's life and celebrating God's blessings will be held on Sunday June 16, 2019 at 1:30 PM at Trinity Episcopal Church, 200 High Street, Hampton. Relatives and friends are cordially invited. Interment will be in Pine Grove Cemetery, Salem, NH. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given in Dawn's name to Trinity Episcopal Church.

# Cemetery Details

## **Pine Grove Cemetery**

329 Main Street  
Salem, NH 03079

# Previous Events

## **Memorial Service**

JUN 16. 1:30 PM (ET)

Trinity Episcopal Church  
200 High Street  
Hampton, NH 03842

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dawn L. Ayer*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dawn L. Ayer.*



June 10, 2019 at 07:07 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dawn L. Ayer.*



June 10, 2019 at 07:02 PM



“ *A very special and loved Aunt*

**Ed Farrar** - May 29, 2019 at 11:48 AM



“ *Condolences to you Susan and your extended family. Very sorry for your loss.*

*Steve Hobbs*

**Steve Hobbs** - May 28, 2019 at 05:25 PM

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“ *The Town of Kingston purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Dawn L. Ayer.*



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**The Town of Kingston** - May 28, 2019 at 01:37 PM

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“ *A very dear lady.*

*Howard & Nancy*

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**Nancy Stiles** - May 27, 2019 at 09:34 AM